

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

June 11, 2001
Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
Municipal Building

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jesse Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order.

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

DAN CLAWSON, Council President; TONI NELSON; DON PERSSON; KING PARKER; TERRI BRIERE; KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER.

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL EXCUSE ABSENT COUNCILMEMBER RANDY CORMAN. CARRIED.

**CITY STAFF IN
ATTENDANCE**

JESSE TANNER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; ZANETTA FONTES, Assistant City Attorney; MARILYN PETERSEN, City Clerk; JIM SHEPHERD, Community Services Administrator; CHIEF LEE WHEELER, Fire Department; MIKE WEBBY, Human Resources Administrator; DEREK TODD, Assistant to the CAO; CHIEF GARRY ANDERSON, Police Department.

PROCLAMATION

Hire-A-Veteran Month – June,
2001

A proclamation by Mayor Tanner was read declaring the month of June, 2001, to be "Hire-A-Veteran Month" in the City of Renton, recognizing that veterans are a well-trained, and sometimes untapped, pool of labor with a wide variety of technical skills, and Renton employers have recognized the lifelong contributions that veterans and their families have made.

Don Sparks, Veterans Employment Representative with the Employment Security Department accepted the proclamation. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION AS READ. CARRIED.

**SPECIAL
PRESENTATIONS**

Police: Meritorious Award to
Officer Brad Martin

Chief of Police Garry Anderson awarded the Meritorious Service Medal to Officer Brad Martin. Chief Anderson described Officer Martin's service to the City of Renton which includes the training of new police officers. Chief Anderson applauded Officer Martin's involvement in Renton's Field Training Officer Program which is recognized throughout the State as a model for training new police officers. Officer Martin accepted the medal and expressed his pleasure in working with new officers and assisting them with their training.

Fire: Act of Heroism
Meritorious Award to Richard
DeWitt

Fire Chief Lee Wheeler and Police Chief Garry Anderson awarded the Act of Heroism Meritorious Award to Richard DeWitt. Chief Anderson explained that Mr. DeWitt saved a four-year old boy from drowning in a swimming pool at the Crestwood Park Apartments by pulling him from the pool and rendering CPR. Chief Wheeler expressed his appreciation to Mr. DeWitt and presented him with a plaque.

**ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORT**

Derek Todd, Assistant to the Chief Administrative Officer, reviewed a written administrative report summarizing the City's recent progress towards goals and work programs adopted as part of its business plan for 2001 and beyond. Items noted included:

- * Citizens are urged to use extreme caution when swimming, rafting, or tubing in the Cedar River between the Elliott Bridge (SE Jones Rd./149th Ave. SE Bridge) and Maplewood Golf Course due to dangerous conditions created by a landslide as a result of the February earthquake.

- * Construction on the East Valley Rd./SW 43rd St. Rehabilitation Project will begin July 9th and should be completed by September 25.
- * Coulon and Kenedydale beaches will open Saturday, June 16th, for the summer season and lifeguards will be on duty from noon to 8:00 p.m. daily.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment: Holt –
Lande Feed Building
Preservation

Quentin Holt, 12219 SE 161st Pl., Renton, 98058, encouraged the City to establish a historical district, to which the Lande Feed building could be relocated.

Citizen Comment: Holt –
Lande Feed Building
Preservation

Iris Holt, 12219 SE 161st Pl., Renton, 98058, commented that she has been a customer of Lande Feed since 1977 and does not want the building to be destroyed. She stressed that the Lande Feed building should be retained as a historic monument for the Renton community.

Citizen Comment: Widmer –
Lande Feed Building
Preservation

Mark Widmer, 803 N. 1st St., Renton, 98055, expressed his concern that Renton's unique character and personality is being lost with the destruction of historic buildings. He suggested that a plan be developed to save historic buildings such as the Lande Feed store.

Citizen Comment: Carlson-
Beckley – Lande Feed Building
Preservation & Whitworth Ave
S Vacation

Heidi Carlson-Beckley, 806 Index Ct. NE, Renton, 98056, remarked that Renton does not have enough historic buildings and encouraged the preservation of the Lande Feed store. On the subject of the Whitworth Ave. S. street vacation request, Ms. Carlson-Beckley expressed her opposition to the vacation saying that it sets a dangerous precedent. She asked that the Council deny the request.

Citizen Comment: Beckley –
Lande Feed Building
Preservation & Whitworth Ave
S Vacation

Phillip Beckley, 806 Index Ct. NE, Renton, 98056, said that upon contacting two museums, he learned that there is no record of a building in existence similar to the Lande Feed store in the Northwest. Saying that the store is an interesting place to visit, he described the construction of the building which is made out of wood. Regarding the proposed Whitworth Ave. S. street vacation, Mr. Beckley expressed his surprise that the Council is even considering the request.

Citizen Comment: Bean – St.
Anthony's Church Vacation,
Whitworth Ave S between S
4th St & Parallel Alley (VAC-
00-003

Joe Bean, 334 Morris Ave. S., Renton, 98055, expressed his concerns about the St. Anthony Church request to vacate Whitworth Ave. S., saying that the expansion of the church will not help alleviate the parking problems in the surrounding neighborhood. Displaying photos of vehicles parked along neighboring streets, Mr. Bean said he has noticed that instead of parking in parking lots that the church provides, patrons choose to park, sometimes illegally, on the surrounding streets. He urged Council to deny the street vacation request.

Citizen Comment: Palmer –
Lande Feed Building
Preservation

Daniel Palmer, 16638 106th Ave. SE, Renton, 98055, said that he is the organizer of the Citizens for Cultural and Historic Preservation in Renton. He reported that the citizens group is working with the Renton Historical Museum to seek out solutions to the potential loss of historic landmarks in Renton. One solution being explored is the establishment of a historic refuge site to house historic buildings, which could become a tourist attraction similar to Gilman Village in the City of Issaquah. Mr. Palmer commented that saving the Lande Feed store needs to be addressed now; however, looking towards the future, he asked the City for assistance in creating a plan for the preservation of historic buildings. He also submitted a petition, signed by 419 citizens, asking for the

retention of the Lande Feed Company historic structure and urging the Mayor

and Council to take immediate steps towards the preservation of the building.

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler reported that the topic of historic preservation is currently in the Planning & Development Committee.

Citizen Comment: Mech –
Lande Feed Building
Preservation

Doris Mech, PO Box 452, Maple Valley, 98038, expressed her appreciation with the transformation of Renton since she came to teach in Renton in 1963, and described some of the positive changes she has noticed. Referring to the Lande Feed store, Ms. Mech stated that she hopes something can be done to save the store and she supported the idea of creating a historic district. Ms. Mech also suggested naming the historic district the Timothy Schlitzer Memorial Historical District in honor of the former Renton Councilmember.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing.

Council Minutes of June 4,
2001

Approval of Council minutes of June 4, 2001. Council concur.

Community Services: Senior
Center Sun Room to be Named
Rotary Sun Room

Community Services Department recommended naming the new Senior Activity Center sun room the "Rotary Sun Room" in recognition of the \$25,000 donation from Renton Rotary toward the construction of this project. Council concur.

Plat: ROW Dedication at Index
Ave NE/NE 6th Pl Intersection
(SHP-00-014)

Development Services Division recommended acceptance of a deed of dedication for additional right-of-way at the intersection of Index Ave. NE and NE 6th Pl. to fulfill a requirement of the Max Ryan short plat (SHP-00-014). Council concur.

Plat: Eden's Garden, NE 20th
St (PP-01-007)

Hearing Examiner recommended approval, with conditions, of the Eden's Garden preliminary plat; 20 single-family lots on 3.41 acres located on the south side of NE 20th St., between Dayton Ave. NE and Camas Ave. NE (PP-01-007). Council concur.

Human Resources:
Administrator Positions
Reclassification

Human Resources & Risk Management Department recommended the reclassification of the City's Administrator positions from grade 43 to grade 49 for the purpose of maintaining the competitive edge with surrounding cities; and requested the allocation of \$25,147.70 to cover the costs of the reclassification in 2001. Refer to Finance Committee.

Transportation: Curb Ramp
Installation (ADA Compliant)

Transportation Systems Division requested approval to construct American with Disabilities Act (ADA) curb ramps at various sites throughout the City at a cost of \$25,000. These sites have not previously been included in the City's Walkway Program. Refer to Transportation Committee.

Transportation: Transit Signal
Priority & Traffic Control
Center Project Consulting
Services, IBI Group

Transportation Systems Division recommended approval of a contract with IBI Group in the amount of \$145,570 for engineering and architectural services related to the completion of the Transit Signal Priority and Traffic Control Center project. Council concur.

Transportation: Six-Year TIP
(2002-2007)

Transportation Systems Division submitted the annual update of the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Refer the TIP to the Transportation Committee; set a public hearing on 6/25/2001 to consider the TIP.

In addition to the curb ramp construction at various City sites mentioned in item 7.f., Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler requested that City staff investigate a citizen request she received asking that a curb ramp be constructed at the south

side of the intersection of S. Grady Way and Powell Ave. SW.

MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. COUNCIL CONCUR.

CORRESPONDENCE

Citizen Comment: Browne –
Aberdeen Ave NE Sidewalk
Installation

Correspondence was read from Kim Browne, Kennydale Neighborhood Association President, 1211 N. 28th Pl., Renton, 98056, requesting that the City make funding and construction of sidewalks along Aberdeen Ave. NE a priority. She expressed concern for the safety of children, pointing out that children use this street to walk to school and to Kennydale Lions Park. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL REFER THIS CORRESPONDENCE TO THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS

Transportation Committee

Transportation: East Valley Rd
Rehabilitation, WSDOT Grant

Transportation Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending that Council authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into the Local Agency Agreement with Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) for grant funding for the East Valley Rd. Rehabilitation Project from SW 41st St. to Lind Ave. SW along with all subsequent agreements, grants and other documentation associated with this project. The Transportation Committee also requested approval of the resolution. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 184 for resolution.)

Transportation: SW 7th St &
Lind Ave SW Traffic Signal
Design & Construction,
WSDOT Grant

Transportation Committee Chair Persson presented a report recommending that Council adopt the resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an interlocal agreement between the City and Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) for grant funding for the design and construction of a traffic signal at SW 7th St. and Lind Ave. SW. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 184 for resolution.)

Public Works: Eastside
Interceptor Project, Use of
Mitigation Funds

Transportation Committee Chair Persson presented a report regarding the use of mitigation money (\$500,000) associated with the King County Eastside Interceptor (ESI) Section 1 Sewer Interceptor Capacity Restoration Project in South Renton. The Transportation Committee having considered the matter of mitigation money from the Metro South Renton Interceptor Sewer restoration project and the need for the reconstruction of Lind Ave. S. from SW 43rd to SW 21st Streets has determined the following:

- a) It is important that the area known as the Burnett South Renton area have funds in the amount of \$500,000 committed to restore and mitigate the nuisance they will have to endure throughout the life of this project.
- b) It is important and vital that the reconstruction of Lind Ave. S. be completed prior to any more deterioration of the roadway that would result in the total rebuild of the roadway.

The Transportation Committee recommended the following actions:

1. Metro mitigation funds in the amount of \$115,000 be placed in the South Renton Project account. The funds are to be used in the following manner: \$75,000 for the asphalt overlay streets in the area and \$40,000 to be used to study the intersection of S. 4th St. and Burnett Ave. S. for possible improvements.
2. Metro mitigation funds in the amount of \$325,000 to be placed in the Street

Overlay account to be used to reconstruct Lind Ave. SW from SW 43rd to SW 21st Streets.

3. Funds in the amount of \$325,000 be transferred from reserve fund #502.000000.005.5140.0070.04.000000 to contingency fund account titled Reserved for South Renton Project.
4. Metro mitigation funds in the amount of \$60,000 be placed in the Reserved for South Renton Project fund.

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Public Works: Eastside
Interceptor Project, Street
Closures

Transportation Committee Chair Persson presented a report regarding the Eastside Interceptor Project traffic control and street closures. King County Metro will be installing approximately 1,800 feet of 72-inch pipe in the area of Houser Way S., Burnett Ave. S., and Morris Ave. S. The contractor will begin mobilization October 2001, and construction is scheduled to begin approximately January 2002 with completion anticipated by November 2002. The project will take approximately fourteen months to complete.

Street closures will include the intersections at Houser Way S. and Morris Ave. S., Houser Way S. and Burnett Ave. S., and Morris Ave. S. at S. 7th St. The intersection at Houser Way S. and Morris Ave. S. will be closed in or about January 2002 for nine months. The intersection at Burnett Ave. S. and Houser Way S. will be closed in or about April 2002 for four months and Morris Ave. S. and S. 7th St. will be closed in or about April 2002 for five months. S. 7th St. will be open to the public only on weekdays from 5:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., westbound and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., eastbound. Additional angle parking will be provided on a temporary basis along the west side of Morris Ave. S. between S. 6th St. and S. 7th St. during the closure of Morris Ave. S.

The Transportation Committee recommended the following: approving the requested street closures at the intersections at Houser Way S. and Morris Ave. S., Houser Way S. and Burnett Ave. S., and Morris Ave. S. at S. 7th St.; temporary parking at Morris Ave. S. and S. 7th St.; and adopting the resolution authorizing the temporary street closures.

The Committee further recommended that the contractor provide ten days advance warning by posting large signs along the travel route advising of the closure and detour routes, that emergency and pedestrian access be maintained at all times, and the approved traffic control plan be implemented and maintained by the contractor to the satisfaction of the Transportation and Development Services Divisions. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 184 for resolution.)

Utilities Committee

Public Works: Eastside
Interceptor Project, Memo of
Agreement with King County

Utilities Committee Chair Briere presented a report concurring with the staff recommendation that the Memorandum of Agreement by and between the City and King County for the Eastside Interceptor (ESI) Section 1 Capacity Restoration Project be approved by the City Council and that the Council authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the agreement and adopt the resolution regarding this matter. The Utilities Committee has referred the matter of how the mitigation money associated with the agreement will be used to the Transportation Committee. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE

REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 182 for Transportation Committee report regarding usage of mitigation money.)

Planning & Development Committee

Planning: Development Agreement Changes, Aegis Capital International & T and E Investment

Planning & Development Committee Chair Keolker-Wheeler presented a report regarding the Aegis Development Agreement. In the 2000 Comprehensive Plan amendment cycle, a Land Use Map amendment and rezone were approved for one parcel, subject to the conditions of a Development Agreement between the City, the property owner, and a developer. The Development Agreement specified allowed uses, self-storage and office, and special development regulations applicable to development of the site. The Development Agreement also included a conceptual site design. Consistency with this conceptual site design is required for approval of site development proposals.

The formal application for development diverged in several ways from the schematic designs included in the Development Agreement. After review of those proposed changes, the Committee found consistency between the current proposal and the Development Agreement approved by the Council. Therefore, no Council action is necessary to amend the Development Agreement. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Council: Pavilion Building & Renton Western Wear Alley Status Report Request

Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler requested status reports on the following items: repairs to the pavilion building, and use of the alley by Dally Homes adjacent to Renton Western Wear.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were presented for reading and adoption:

Resolution #3508

Public Works: Eastside Interceptor Project, Street Closures

A resolution was read authorizing temporary street closures at Houser Way S. and Morris Ave. S., Houser Way S. and Burnett Ave. S., and Morris Ave. S. at S. 7th St. for the installation of 72-inch diameter pipe for the King County Eastside Interceptor Restoration project. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

Resolution #3509

Transportation: SW 7th St & Lind Ave SW Traffic Signal Design & Construction, WSDOT Grant

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an interlocal cooperative agreement with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) for grant funding to install a traffic signal at SW 7th St. and Lind Ave. SW. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

Resolution #3510

Transportation: East Valley Rd Rehabilitation, WSDOT Grant

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into a local agency agreement supplement with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) for additional grant funding for the East Valley Rd. rehabilitation. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

The following ordinance was presented for second and final reading and adoption:

Ordinance #4908

Development Services: A-

An ordinance was read amending Section 4-1-140.M.3 of Chapter 1, Administration and Enforcement, and adding Section 4-4-100.J.5.1 of Chapter 4,

Frame Signs

Property Development Standards, of Title IV (Development Regulations) of City Code by adopting fees and a permit schedule for A-frame signs. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 8:40 p.m.



MARILYN J. PETERSEN, CMC, City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann
June 11, 2001